

## Kishore Kumar and Lata Mangeshkar as composers and singers



I wish to share two non film Bengali songs composed by Kishore Kumar sung by Lata and vice versa. In Lata's own words in Marathi,

“आमच्यातील नातं व्यावसायिक संबंधाच्या पलीकडचं होतं. त्यामुळेच गाण्यांत आम्ही असा एक प्रयोग केला जो आजवर कदाचित कोणीच केला नसेल. नेहमीच्या फिल्मी गाण्यांपेक्षा काहीतरी वेगळं करावं असं वाटल्याने आम्ही दोघांनी प्रत्येकी दोन बंगाली गाणी स्वरबद्ध केली. मी स्वरबद्ध केलेली गाणी किशोरदांनी गायली. तर, त्यांनी चाली दिलेली गाणी मी गायले. ही चारही गाणी लोकप्रिय ठरली. त्यांच्या असंख्य कॅसेट विकल्या गेल्या. आजही ती यूट्युबवर उपलब्ध आहेत. त्यातील किशोरदांनी संगीत दिलेलं 'की लिखी तोमाय' हे गीत सर्वांत उजवं होतं हे मी निःसंकोचपणे सांगू शकते.”

*(“Our bond was beyond just our professional relationship. That was why we attempted an experiment which was probably never done before. We decided to do something different than the usual film songs. We composed two Bengali songs each. The two songs that I composed were sung by Kishore da and I sang the two songs composed by him. All four songs were quite popular and several cassettes were sold. These songs are available on YouTube as well. I think the song 'Ki likhi tomay' composed by Kishore da was undoubtedly the best of them all!”)*

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